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SUBJECT: GAO REVIEW: "INTERNATIONAL ENERGY ISSUES"

REF: STATE 106971

1. EMBASSY WILL SEEK TO FACILITATE VISIT TO JAPAN BY GAO TEAM MAY 8-12. WE PLAN TO CONSULT CLOSELY WITH KINOSHITA OF MITI'S ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES AGENCY REGARDING MOST FRUITFUL CONTACTS. IN THE ABSENCE OF THE ISSUES PAPER, HOWEVER, IT IS NOT CLEAR TO US JUST WHAT THE TEAM WISHES TO STUDY, THUS IT IS DIFFICULT TO APPROACH LOCAL OFFICIALS TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS. WE REQUEST THEREFORE THAT DEPARTMENT CABLE OUTLINE OF SUMMARY OF ISSUES PAPER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. FOR SAME REASON, PLEASE CABLE POSITION TITLES AND EXPERIENCE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE GAO TEAM.

2. TEAM SHOULD BE AWARE THAT THE PERIOD APRIL 29 THROUGH MAY 7 IS "GOLDEN WEEK" IN JAPAN WHEN MANY JAPANESE TAKE VACATIONS. IT MAY THUS BE DIFFICULT TO MAKE ADVANCE APPOINTMENTS FOR THE TEAM.

3. WE STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FROM
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WASHINGTON, GAO TEAM CONSULT WITH STAFF OF EB/FSE REGARDING INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY (OF WHICH JAPAN IS AN ACTIVE MEMBER) DEVELOPMENTS, ESPECIALLY THE JUST CONCLUDED MEETING OF THE IEA GOVERNING BOARD MEETING IN TOKYO.

4. THREE SINGLES HAVE BEEN RESERVED AT THE OKURA HOTEL

FOR THE NIGHTS OF MAY 8-11. SHERMAN

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